

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONDUCT MINOR COAL EXPLORATION DUGOUT and PACE CANYON AREAS, CARBON COUNTY, UTAH

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## INTRODUCTION

This Notice of Intention to Conduct Minor Coal Exploration Approval has been prepared by Canyon Fuel Company, LLC., in accordance with the requirements of the State of Utah Coal Mining Regulations, R645-200 through R645-203. The proposed exploration area covers lands in Carbon County, Utah, within which Canyon Fuel Company plans to conduct an exploration drilling program. As described herein, Canyon Fuel Company plans to complete up to 7 exploration drill holes and one seismic survey to evaluate the reserves and quality of coal seams within the Blackhawk Formation.

The format used in the State of Utah Coal Mining Regulations (R645) is used as the format for this Notice of Intent to Conduct Coal Exploration. The exploration plan outlined within this application is also consistent with the requirements of 43 CFR, Part 3482.

The information contained in this Notice of Intention demonstrates that environmental protection and reclamation are integral parts of the proposed exploration program, and that reclamation will be performed in tandem with exploration activities. Sufficient information is provided in this exploration application to demonstrate the effectiveness of Canyon Fuel Company's proposed reclamation methods.

It is expected that drilling would span the years 2001 and 2002 with half the holes being drilled in each year. Holes may be deferred based upon drilling results.

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